1 2 3 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT TACOMA 10 PROSHIPLINE, INC., EP-TEAM, INC., 11 Plaintiff, Case No. C07-5660FDB 12 v. ORDER RE FORM OF BOND and 13 ASPEN INFRASTRUCTURES, LTD. f/k/a STAYING THIS CASE PENDING SUZLONG INFRASTRUCTURE, LTD., ARBITRATION 14 Defendant; 15 MASTERS AND PURSERS OF THE M/S MARGARETHA GREEN, et al., 17 Garnishees. 18 The Court having heard the parties' arguments today on the form of the bond after reviewing 19 the memoranda filed by the parties, and being familiar with the record herein is fully informed and 20 concludes that the bond is insufficient as argued by Plaintiffs, as it fails to satisfy the express 21 requirements of Supplemental Admiralty Rule E(5)(a) because it makes no provision for the 22 continuing jurisdiction of this Court. ACCORDINGLY, 23 IT IS ORDERED: (1) Defendant shall file within five days hereof a bond in the form 24 proposed by Plaintiffs on December 6, 2007, which bond shall be conditioned upon entry of an 25 26 ORDER - 1

award in arbitration or upon a judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction as to the subject matter of the First Amended Verified Complaint herein. Until Defendant files a bond in the form Plaintiffs have proposed herein as referenced above, the cash deposited in escrow as referenced above shall remain in lieu of the assets garnished herein pursuant to the Writ issued November 27, 2007. Upon filing herein by Defendant of a bond in the form proposed by Plaintiffs and filed herein on December 6, 2007, the cash bond deposited into escrow may be released to Defendant forthwith and without further order of this Court. (2) This cause of action is STAYED pending arbitration of Plaintiff ProShipLine's claims, and the parties shall advise this Court as soon as possible of any decision made by the Arbitration Panel as to ProShipLine's claims. DATED this 10th day of December, 2007.

FRANKLIN D. BURGESS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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